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# Before the **FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION** Washington, D.C. 20554

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

In the Matter of

Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's

Rules to Facilitate Future Development of
SMR Systems in the 800 MHz Frequency
Band

Implementation of Sections 3(n) and 322 of
the Communications Act - Regulatory

Treatment of Mobile Services

Implementation of Section 309(j) of the
Communications Act - Competitive Bidding

PR Docket No. 93-144

RM-8030

RM-8029

GN Docket No. 93-252

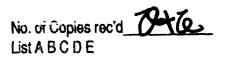
PR Docket No. 93-253

To: The Commission

### MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE CONSOLIDATED SUPPLEMENT TO PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

Small Business in Telecommunications (SBT) hereby requests leave to file the attached Consolidated Supplement To Petitions For Reconsideration to the Commission's Memorandum Opinion and Order and Second Report and Order ("the Orders") released July 10, 1997 ("Supplement"), and in support states the following:

The new issue raised within the associated Supplement was not known at the time that SBT filed its earlier Petitions and could not have been reasonably known at that time. The issue arises under 15 U.S.C. §632 and the Commission's compliance with same. Whether the Commission properly complied with said statute is not a matter which appeared within the Orders and no public notice which might have alerted SBT to the problem earlier has been



published by either the Commission or the United States Small Business Administration. Accordingly, SBT was not provided reasonable notice that this issue existed, nor was SBT provided a reasonable opportunity, prior to the filing of the attached Supplement, to request reconsideration of the Commission's <u>Orders</u> with regard to this issue. Since the proper treatment of this issue by the agency will require a reissuance of the <u>Orders</u>, it is incumbent on the Commission to immediately take those actions which are prudent to protect the interests of auction participants.

SBT further notes that the effect of the agency's inadvertent oversight calls into serious question the effectiveness of its <u>Orders</u> for all purposes, including the finality of such <u>Orders</u> in accord with 47 C.F.R. §1.103. Section 1.103 includes an implied presumption that the Commission's decisions are fully within its statutory jurisdiction and discretion. Yet, as shown clearly within the attached Supplement, such jurisdiction and discretion were not present. Therefore, this Supplement is properly brought in the most timely manner reasonably available to SBT to demonstrate that there exists serious doubt as to whether the Commission's <u>Orders</u> are, in fact, effective for the purposes made.

SBT notes that the subject rule making has continued beyond the issuance of the Commission's Orders in actions taken by the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. The Orders, therefore, left open the issue of finality of this proceeding due to the WTB's ongoing activities in the creation of auction rules and processes. These actions are under review by the agency to determine whether any of the WTB's decisions are proper in accord with the Bureau's

delegated authority. What is clear, however, is that no published final ruling has been issued

by the WTB regarding all of the auction rules (i.e. minimum payments, click box bidding, etc.).

Since such matters are still pending before the agency, this Supplement may be deemed to be

timely brought during the period prior to the publication of such rules.

Finally, it is clear that the public interest would be served by the Commission's

acceptance of the Supplement, to avoid the unnecessary risk of litigation among auction

participants. Acceptance of the Supplement and action thereunder will promote the public's

reliance on the actions of government, demonstrating fully that the agency is not attempting to

circumvent statutory law in a manner which might appear wholly improper. To do otherwise

would make the agency appear to be dodging its statutory responsibilities, an image that does

nothing to promote fidelity to the agency's future decisions or its relationship with other federal

agencies.

Respectfully submitted,

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